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San Francisco Board Of Supervisors

Supervisor

Patient Advocate, HIV/AIDS

Appointed by the California Senate President Pro Tempore

District 8 Supervisor Jeff Sheehy is a long-time HIV/AIDS activist and pioneer for LGBT equality who has dedicated his life to public and community service. As former President of the Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club, as former Mayor Newsom's HIV/AIDS advisor, and as a victims' advocate in the San Francisco District Attorney's office, Jeff has spent his career fighting to protect vulnerable communities.

Before joining the Board of Supervisors, Jeff led communications at UCSF's AIDS Research Institute, educating the public about UCSF's cutting-edge research. Jeff is the first person openly living with HIV to serve on the Board of Supervisors.

A pioneer in the LGBT equal rights movement, Jeff helped create and pass San Francisco's historic Equal Benefits Ordinance, making San Francisco the first city in the U.S. to require that all businesses and organizations seeking city contracts offer domestic partner benefits. Over 8,000 companies eventually complied with the law, including many giant multinational corporations, facilitating broad corporate support for same-sex marriage. Jeff Sheehy has served on the governing board of the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine, the \$3 billion stem cell agency that is working to cure a multitude of life threatening diseases and conditions.

Sheehy is a founding member of the Steering Committee of San Francisco's Getting to Zero Consortium, which aims to make the City the first municipality to achieve the UNAIDS goals of zero new infections, zero HIV deaths and zero HIV stigma. He also serves on the Industry Collaboration Group of the International AIDS Society's Towards an HIV Cure project.

While a member of ACT-UP, he fought for organ transplants for people with HIV and worked on legislation to allow HIV positive men to use advanced assisted reproduction techniques that facilitate safe conception with their HIV negative partners.

Sheehy has received the Human Rights Campaign's Leadership Award, the Caped Crusader Award from Equality California, the Tomas Fabregas AIDS Hero Award, the UCSF Chancellor's Award for Public Service, and has been named to OUT magazine's "Out 100" and

POZ magazine's "POZ 100."

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